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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants are enclosing an Information Disclosure Citation Form (PTO-1449) which lists the references cited in the European Search Report issued for corresponding European Appln. No. EP 00 12 6214 dated November 7, 2003. U.S. Patent No. 5,260,788 is a family member of U.S. Patent No. 5,390,027. U.S. Patent No. 5,361,173 is a family member of EP 0 439,290. U.S. Publication No. 2003012555 and U.S. Patent No. 6,463,206 are family members of U.S. Patent No. 5,541,738.

Applicants certify under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e)(1) that all documents submitted herewith were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application no more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement. Therefore, it is respectfully urged that no fees are required for the Examiner's consideration of the documents listed in this Information Disclosure Statement.

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